

-- 20. An adhesive tape section comprising an adhesive region and a plurality of grip tabs, said adhesive tape section being designed as a polygon having a number of sides and the same number of grip tabs, wherein the adhesive tape section, when bonded to a substrate, forms a bond with said substrate, which bond is releasable from said substrate by pulling on at least one of said grip tabs in the plane of said bond to stretch said adhesive tape section in the plane of said bond thereby to release said adhesive tape section from said substrate. --

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-- 21. The adhesive tape section according to claim 20, which is designed as a triangle, and comprises three grip tabs, and one of said grip tabs is arranged in each of the angles of said triangle. --

-- 22. The adhesive tape section according to claim 20, which is designed as a quadrangle, and comprises four grip tabs, and one of said grip tabs is arranged in each of the angles of said quadrangle. --

-- 23. The adhesive tape section according to claim 20, which is self-adhesive on both faces thereof. --

-- 24. The adhesive tape section according to claim 20, which comprises a highly

stretchable material that can be deformed elastically or plastically on extension, with or without an intermediate support. --

-- 25. The adhesive tape section according to claim 20, wherein the grip tabs are arranged around the adhesive region. --

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-- 26. The adhesive tape section according to claim 20, wherein the grip tabs are arranged symmetrically about an imaginary center point of the adhesive tape section. --

-- 27. An adhesive tape section comprising an adhesive region and a grip tab, said adhesive tape section being designed as a circle, the adhesive region occupying a central portion of said circle, said grip tab occupying an outer portion of said circle, and said grip tab surrounding said adhesive region, wherein the adhesive tape section, when bonded to a substrate, forms a bond with said substrate, which bond is releasable from said substrate by pulling said grip tab in the plane of said bond to stretch said adhesive tape section in the plane of said bond thereby to release said adhesive tape section from said substrate. --

-- 28. The adhesive tape section according to claim 27, which is self-adhesive on both faces thereof. --

-- 29. The adhesive tape section according to claim 27, which comprises a highly stretchable material that can be deformed elastically or plastically on extension, with or without an intermediate support. --

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-- 30. The adhesive tape section according to claim 27, wherin the grip tab is arranged symmetrically about ~~an imaginary center point of~~ the adhesive tape section. --

-- 31. A method of forming a bond between an adhesive tape section and a substrate, and thereafter releasing said adhesive tape section from said substrate without leaving a residue on said substrate or destroying the substrate, said method [comprising] providing an adhesive tape section according to any one of claims 20-30, forming a bond between said adhesive tape section and said substrate, and thereafter releasing said adhesive tape section from said substrate without leaving a residue on said substrate or destroying the substrate by pulling on at least one of said grip tabs in the plane of said bond to stretch said adhesive tape section in the plane of said bond thereby to release said adhesive tape section from said substrate without leaving a residue on said substrate or destroying the substrate. --

CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If entry and consideration of the amendments above requires an extension of time, Applicants respectfully request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Assistant